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1. The military parachutist and reconnaissance school at Podborany (N51/L09) was opened 1 January 1952. The school, which belongs to the 3rd Division at Liberec,

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2. Applicants to the school must have an 80 percent knowledge of German, must be single, not over 25 years old, at least 175 cm. tall, and must be able to prove their proletarian origin and political loyalty. They must have more than an elementary school education. Students with a knowledge of English are preferred.

3. At present there are about 80 students attending the school. The school commander is Maj Vaclav Strejcek, age 45. Other personnel attached to the staff are Capt Josef Kpsecky, age 40; Capt Martin Drbal, age 30; Lt Arnost Vesely, age 30; and WO Jan Platov, age 30.

**Comment:** It is believed that partisan units are being trained at the school for eventual use in harrassing rear lines of the enemy.

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